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Dear Mothers, Fathers and Carers

Learning Heroes – We have two groups of Learning Heroes to report in this newsletter. On 13th October, in our Achievement Assembly, the following children were named as Learning Heroes

Yr 1; Curtis and Finley W

Yr 2; Miley and T.J

Yr 3; Ashton B and Macey

Then on 20th October, the following children were also awarded with the Learning Heroes accolade;

Yr 3; Harrison and Farryl

Yr 4; Laney and Lydia

Yr 5; Jacob and Jasmine P

Yr 6; Seb, Ellis and Josh

Well done to all our children for showing their use of 'building learning power'.



Our New Sports Councillors have also just been announced. They are;

Yr 3; Xanthe, Logan T, Dylan & Lexxi W

Yr 4; Thomas K, Kyla, Ellis & Georgia

Yr 5; Archie, Dakota, Isobel & Joesey

Yr 6; Koby, Seb, Hollie, Seth, Poppy & William F

The sports councillors work alongside staff and pupils to improve sports opportunities at Waycroft. They lead lunchtime opportunities and write reports on current school fixtures.



Parents' Evenings – These will be held in week two of term two. The booking folders will be placed in the foyer from Tuesday 31st October. Parents' evenings will take place on Tuesday 7th November between 3.30pm and 6.30pm and on Wednesday 8th November between 3.30pm and 6pm. Please check that you are writing your time slot against the correct class for your child when booking. Pat Slee our Numbers Count teacher and Laura Bagnall our SENCO (Special Educational Needs Coordinator) will be available to meet with parents/carers during the November parents' evenings. If you would like to book an appointment please do so when you book your meeting with the class teacher by the school office. They will also be available for drop ins around their meetings in case you would like any additional advice using their specialisms. Please note Laura Bagnall will only be available on Tuesday 7th. Their booking folders will be white and class folders will be blue.

Don't forget
Parents'
Evening!

BLP Focus – Interdependence (linked to Reciprocity)

This means knowing when it's appropriate to learn on your own or with others and you are able to stand your ground in a debate.

Over the next two weeks can you show

interdependence when carrying out a task at home by:

-Watching a news story as a family and discussing ideas

-Discussing as a family the statement: 'Everyone should be involved in cleaning the house'

-Building a new den or Lego/Meccano structure

Let us know what you have done as a family, you could blog about it (don't forget to tag it BLP) or send us a picture!



Courtesy Awards – On 13th October, Maya in Year 2 and George in Year 3 were awarded with these special lanyards. Then on 20th October, the lanyards were passed to Grayson in Year x and Madison in Year 4. Well done to all of them for showing their courtesy skills.



No Nuts! – Can we please remind parents and carers that we are a 'no nut' school as we have children and staff with nut allergies. Besides actual nuts, this includes nutella bars which some of the children have been bringing in their packed lunches. Thank you for your understanding.

Tag Rugby - Throughout Term 1, we have been competing in the Tag Rugby league at Broad Plain in Bedminster, where we have finished 3rd in the league resulting in our team achieving bronze medals. This is a tournament that the children have all enjoyed and have competed at the highest level. We had a good start by winning all our games in the first three weeks. However, we then faced some tougher opposition which resulted in a few losses. A huge well done to our team; Mason, Hollie, Ben, Freya, Joe, Archie, Ashton and Jacob for representing Waycroft during these fixtures.



Spooky Stories Library Event - Children from Year 5 and 6 enjoyed dressing up for a Spooky Stories Evening in the Library. They painted each others faces, creating some very creepy looking characters. We were delighted to welcome author Di Toft to the event. Following a Q and A session, Di read an extract from her book 'Wolven' and children were invited to practise their very best wolf cries to create an eerie atmosphere. After refreshments and another particularly scary story, the children turned each other into mummies. Great fun was had by all those that attended.



Travelling Book Fair



Parents and children will be able to purchase books from this fair during both of our parents' evenings, on Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th November. Every book you buy from the book fair helps our school buy more new books for our classrooms and library. If you are able to help run the book fair for a time around your parents evening slot, this would be much appreciated. Please leave a message for Nancy our librarian in the office and she will contact you after half term. Thank you.

Look out for our new lunch time menu coming after half term. We have several new food options on the autumn/winter menu including chicken tikka masala, bacon and tomato pasta bake and fish fingers with chips and beans. We will return on week 2 of the menu, meaning Wednesday 1st November is our first theme day of Term 2 which will be Halloween based.



Christmas Carol Concerts – We have now confirmed the dates and times with Christ the Servant Church for our annual Carol Concerts. They will be held on the following dates at the church:

Yrs 1 & 2 - Thursday 7th December

Yrs 3 & 4 – Tuesday 12th December

Yrs 5 & 6 – Wednesday 13th December

All concerts are scheduled for a 2pm start.

Reception children will be performing a nativity play on Thursday 7th and Friday 8th December at 9.15am in the school hall. A letter regarding the Nursery Christmas activities will be going home at beginning of Term 2.



Interim Reports – There will no longer be an end of Term 2 report. Your child's current progress will be discussed with you in detail at parents' evening in November. A full report will be issued in July at the end of the academic year.

Yours sincerely
Lisa Craig
Head of School